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The proposed remedy for Microsoft is a bad one. It does not gives rights to not for profits, or private free-software developers.

I also suggest that any settlement should act to restrict Miscrosoft's ability to simply out-spend other companies on legal fees. They should not be allowed to spend a dime more than their opponent on any court case.

The above is important, since Microsoft uses it's cash reserves as a weapon. Towards that end, I would also suggest that Microsoft be compelled to keep very little cash reserves, distributing all but 10 million of it to stock-holders -- always dividending, never saving, since that saving is a war-chest, allowing it to bully it's competitors and its apparent friends alike.

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